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In re application of

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For: DETERMINING MEAT QUALITY OF A LIVE ANIMAL

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.97

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

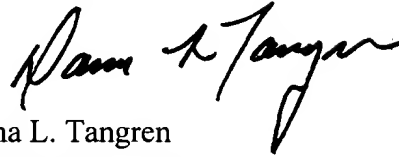
Please find, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(1), the enclosed Form PTO-1449 which contains a list of all patents, publications, or other items that have come to the attention of one or more of the individuals designated in 37 CFR § 1.56(c). While no representation is made that these references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term under 35 USC §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed listed references are disclosed so as to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR § 1.56.

Moreover, while no representation is made that a specific search of office files or patent office records has been conducted or that no better art exists, the undersigned attorney of record believes that the enclosed art is the closest to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) of which the undersigned is presently aware, and no art which is closer to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) has been knowingly withheld.

In accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98, a copy of each of the listed references or relevant portion thereof is also enclosed.

Dated this 26th day of July 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dana L. Tangren". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dana" and last name "Tangren" clearly distinguishable.

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